

## Message Text

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ACTION EURE-12

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PM-05 H-02 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02  
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R 191528Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY HELSINKI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3973  
INFO AMEMBASSY COPENHAGEN  
AMEMBASSY MOSCOW  
AMEMBASSY OSLO  
AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

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E.O. 12065: N/A  
TAGS: PINT FI  
SUBJ: PRES ASKS SOCIAL DEMOCRAT TO TAKE FURTHER GOVT FORMATION  
SOUNDINGS AFTER CONSERVATIVE GIVES UP

REF: HELSINKI 1312

1. CONSERVATIVE PARTY CHAIRMAN HARRI HOLKERI HAS GIVEN UP  
HIS EFFORTS TO FIND A BASIS FOR A POLITICALLY EFFECTIVE  
MAJORITY GOVT (REFTEL). HOLKERI TOLD PRES  
KEKKONEN ON APRIL 18 THAT MORE THAN A WEEK OF  
EXPLORING VARIOUS PROSPECTS FOR FORMATION OF A NEW FINNISH  
GOVT HAD NOT REVEALED "SUFFICIENT POLITICAL WILL" FOR  
CREATING A MAJORITY COALITION.

2. KEKKONEN ON APRIL 19 TURNED TO PARLIAMENT VICE SPEAKER  
VEIKKO HELLE, A SEASONED SOCIAL DEMOCRAT NOT HIMSELF A  
PRIMIN CANDIDATE, AND ASKED HIM TO ASCERTAIN ON WHAT BASIS  
A WORKABLE MAJORITY GOVT COULD BE FOUND, TAKING INTO  
CONSIDERATION THE RESULTS OF HOLKERI'S EFFORTS.  
HELLE, WHO ANNOUNCED HE WILL BEGIN A ROUND OF  
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MEETINGS WITH REPS OF VARIOUS PARTIES ON  
APRIL 20, WILL, LIKE HOLKERI, BE TAKING SOUNDINGS  
RATHER THAN TRYING ACTUALLY TO FORM A GOVT, BUT  
HIS EMPHASIS WILL LIKELY BE ON CENTER/LEFT POSSIBILITIES  
RATHER THAN ON A GOVT COMBINATION INCLUDING  
THE CONSERVATIVES.  
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